

Lawton Philharmonic Society
Regular Board Meeting
Lawton Country Club

February 17, 2022

The board meeting was called to order by President David Jackson.

The minutes were approved as presented.

The finance report was approved as presented. Total expenses were \$2524.43. Total operating expenses were \$6698.36 with a net loss of \$4029.13.

Jon Kalbfleisch's letter was approved as presented. He gave an update on the February concert as well as the upcoming concert with Kyle Dillingham.

David Jackson thanked all those who helped with the concert. The concert was a successful event with people already talking about the next concert. He reminded us to wear our name tag.

Patty Neuwirth thanked the City of Lawton and MMA for the new stand lights. LETA will be funding the charging cabinets. She gave an update on the concert. The Military Grant from OAC will allow us to bring Nat Chaitkin (cello) and "Bach and the Boombox". Three performances will be held at Freedom Elementary on March 10 and another performance at Central Middle School.

Committees:

^Hospitality – snacks will be served at the next concert.

^Grant -Writing – Ronda Norrell reported we received the \$5000 Military Grant for the March 10 performances of Nat Chaitkin.

She has turned in the paperwork for the OAC grant for next year. There will be 3 concerts with a total of 175 musicians for a total budget of \$229,200. That should cover every element of the concerts. We should hear from OAC around July 4.

^Marketing – Kaley Dorsey did a great job advertising the concert.

^Fundraising – Shaun Calix proposed a fundraiser that would involve several vocal performance alumni from CU singing German songs at Mutti's German restaurant some time in the next calendar year. We could either seek donations from people eating or ask Mutti's for a percentage of the revenues from that evening. Everyone liked this idea and wants Shaun to pursue this idea.

^Nominating – Doris Lambert introduced Robert Munoz as a prospective new board member. Her committee moved to accept Robert as a new board member. Motion passed. Robert works at Arvest Bank. Welcome, Robert!

^Personnel – Tanya Case is working on a renewal contract with Jon.

^Program – Patti Neuwirth is working on next season's brochure. She reviewed each concert. Ticket costs will remain the same. It was suggested that Jon give pre-concert talks (not the Tuesday evening talks).

^Youth – Kathy Hickman was appreciative of how many students (with parents) attended the concert. Several came from Cache as a result of Andrew's performance there. Kathy passed around the donation sack to provide tickets for youth.

^Arts for All – the AFA Festival is scheduled for Mother's Day Weekend. Ronda gave an exciting report of how the festival will be this year. There will be normal concessions and art booths. We will be able to use the Farmer's Market building. Children's tent will be shared by us and LCT. There will be musical entertainment in one area and one stage for school, dance and other performances. Ronda is chairman of the festival and Patty is the treasurer! Hard working women!

Old Business:

Doris Lambert announced Torrie Chambers will be our intern. She is a CU student.

The February concert will be streamed on our website March 1-30.

Patty Neuwirth is working on getting a Boy Scout troop to put out our signs before concerts. She is looking at having a consistent group to do this.

Meeting adjourned

Linda Chapman, Recording Secretary

Members Present: Barbara Moeller, Cindy O'Connor, David Jackson, Ronda Norrell, Carol Gardner, Doris Lambert, Jim Lambert, Piere Mariano, Rebecca Kinslow, Kathy Hickman, Barbara Curry, Robert Munoz, Linda Chapman
Executive Director – Patty Neuwirth